

**The Council of State Governments Midwestern Office and
Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future
Meeting Agenda**

**Friday, October 28, 2011
Radisson Plaza Hotel, 35 South Seventh Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota**

- 8:00 a.m. Registration and Sign-up for Public Comments
- 8:30 a.m. Welcome to Minnesota *Senator Amy Koch, Minnesota
Majority Leader*
- 8:35 a.m. Welcome from the Blue Ribbon Commission *Commissioner Vicky Bailey*
- 8:40 a.m. Workshop Overview and Introductions *Moderator*
- 8:45 a.m. Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future *John Kotek,
Executive Director,
Blue Ribbon Commission*
- Origin, membership, and purpose
 - Accomplishments to date
 - Key recommendations
- 9:15 a.m. The Council of State Governments' Midwestern Office *Representative Chuck Soderberg, Iowa
State Representative, Co-Chair,
Midwestern Legislative Conference
Energy Committee*
- Involvement in issues related to nuclear energy and waste
 - Perspectives on managing the back-end of the nuclear fuel cycle *Paul Schmidt, Wisconsin Radiological
Protection Program, Co-Chair, CSG
Midwestern Radioactive Materials
Transportation Committee*
 - Initial reactions to the BRC draft report
- 9:45 a.m. A View from Up Close: Prairie Island Nuclear Plant and its Neighbors *Laura McCarten, Regional Vice
President, Xcel Energy*
- Experiences as a host community, perspectives on long-term waste management, and initial reactions to the draft report *Victoria Winfrey, Tribal Council
President, Prairie Island Indian
Community*
- Mayor Dennis Egan, City of Red Wing
Senator John Howe, Minnesota*
- 10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m.	<p>Perspectives from Around the Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial reactions to the draft report, as well as experiences with or concerns about on-site storage of nuclear waste and spent fuel transportation 	<p><i>David Boyd, Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission</i></p> <p><i>Gary McCandless, Illinois Emergency Management Agency</i></p> <p><i>Christina Mills, Institute for Energy and Environmental Research</i></p> <p><i>Senator Beverly Gard, Indiana</i></p> <p><i>Brian Rude, Vice President, External and Member Relations, Dairyland Power Cooperative</i></p>
11:45 a.m.	Instructions for Afternoon Breakout Sessions	<i>Moderator</i>
12 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)	
1 p.m.	Deadline to Sign-up to Make Public Comments	
1 p.m.	<p>Interactive Breakout Sessions</p> <p>Participants will engage in small-group, facilitated discussions, each focusing on three questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do we create a meaningful role for affected units of government in selecting sites and overseeing facilities for consolidated storage or disposal? • What additional measures can we take to make sure transportation remains safe and uneventful? • What are the potential impacts on communities of very long-term storage of spent nuclear fuel, and how can we mitigate those impacts? 	
3 p.m.	Break	
3:20 p.m.	Comments from the Public (sign-up by 1 p.m.)	<i>All</i>
4:20 p.m.	Next Steps	<i>John Kotek</i>
4:25 p.m.	Meeting Wrap-Up	<i>Moderator</i>
4:30 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned	